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Hon. Commissioner for Patents
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Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions, pursuant to 37 C.F.R.
§1.136(a), for a three-month extension, until April 23, 2003,
in which to file a Response and RCE to the final Office
Action, dated October 23, 2002, for the above-identified
patent application. The shortened statutory period for
Response expired on January 23, 2003. The requisite fee of
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Respectfully submitted,

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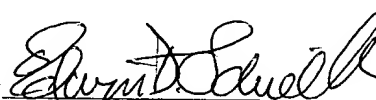
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